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St. James's, December 21.

A Chapter of the moſt Noble Order of the Garter having been ſummoned to meet this Day, the Knights Companions, with the Officers of the Order hereafter mentioned, all in their Mantles, attended the Sovereign in his own Apartment; and being called over by Garter King of Arms, a Proceſſion was made from thence to the Great Council Chamber in the following Order:

Marquis of Rockingham,
Earl of Hertford,—Duke of Northumberland,
Earl of Winchelſea,
His Royal Highneſs Duke of Glouceſter,
Black Rod,-The Regiſter,-Garter King of Arms,
The Prelate,
The SOVEREIGN.

The Sovereign and Knights Companions being ſeated, the Regiſter acquainted His Majeſty, that the Biſhop of Salisbury attended at the Door, and humbly prayed Admittance to be ſworn as Chancellor of that moſt Noble Order; who being in his Mantle, was conducted to the Sovereign by Garter and Black Rod, the latter carrying the Inſignia of the Chancellor's Office; and the Biſhop kneeling down before the Sovereign, the Oath was adminiſtred to him by the Regiſter; His Majeſty then put the Gold Chain with the Badge about his Neck, and delivered him the Purſe; and having kiſſed His Majeſty's Hand, he withdrew to his Place.

The Chancellor then ſignified to the Chapter the Sovereign's Pleaſure for filling up the vacant Stall; and as by the Statutes none but a Knight can be elected, Garter and Black Rod were ſent to introduce his Royal Highneſs the Duke of Cumberland, who was knighted by the Sovereign with the Sword of State.

The Knights Companions then proceeded to the Election, and the Suffrages being collected by the Chancellor, and preſented to the Sovereign, his Royal Highneſs Henry Duke of Cumberland was, by His Majeſty's Command, declared duly elected. His Royal Highneſs was thereupon received at the Door of the Chapter-Room by the two junior Knights preſent, and conducted between them to the Sovereign, preceded by Garter King of Arms (carrying the Enſigns of the Order upon a Cuſhion) and Black Rod. Garter preſenting the Garter to the Sovereign, His Majeſty delivered it to the two ſenior Knights, who buckled it on the Prince's Left Leg, the Chancellor reading the Admonition; Garter then preſented the Ribbon with the George, and the Prince kneeling down, the Sovereign, with the Aſſiſtance of the two ſenior Knights, put it over his Shoulder, the Chancellor reading the Admonition; and having kiſſed His Majeſty's Hand, and ſeverally ſaluted all the Knights preſent, his Royal Highneſs withdrew.

Garter then calling over the Knights in their Order, a Proceſſion was made back in the ſame Order as before, except that the Chancellor now went in his Place with the Prelate.

St. James's, December 23.

THIS Day His Majeſty was pleaſed to inveſt the Dukes of Buccleugh and Athol with the Enſigns of the moſt Ancient and moſt Noble Order of the Thiſtle.

His Majeſty having ſigned the ſeveral Inſtruments for that Purpoſe, which were preſented to the Sovereign by Robert Quarme, Eſq; Gentleman Uſher of the Green Rod, (in the Abſence of George Dempſter, Eſq; the Secretary) his Grace the Duke of Buccleugh was then called into the Royal Preſence, being preceded by the Earl of Portmore, as ſenior Knight of the Thiſtle, and ſupported on each Side by the Earl of Morton and Lord Cathcart, two other Knights of the Order; Mr. Brodie, Principal Herald of Scotland, (in Place of the Gentleman Uſher of the Green Rod) carrying the Sword of State. At the Entrance a low Reverence was made; a ſecond about the Middle; and, on being advanced up to the Sovereign, a third.—His Grace then kneeling down, the Herald drew the Sword, and (kneeling) delivered it to the Sovereign, who thereupon knighted his Grace; then the Duke, having kiſſed His Majeſty's Hand, roſe up, and Green Rod adminiſtered the Oath to his Grace; which done, Green Rod (having received the Green Ribbon, with the Symbol of the Order hanging to it) preſented the ſame (kneeling) to the Sovereign, upon a Velvet Cuſhion, who put the Ribbon over the Duke's Left Shoulder, and then, kneeling down, he had again the Honour of kiſſing His Majeſty's Hand; which done, his Grace roſe up, and, making a low Reverence, withdrew.

In like Manner was his Grace the Duke of Athol inveſted.

The Ceremony was performed ſoon after the Levee, in His Majeſty's Cloſet, ſeveral of the Great Officers of the Court being preſent.

His Majeſty was pleaſed, at the ſame Time, to appoint the Earl of Carliſle to be one of the Knights of the Thiſtle; but his Lordſhip was not inveſted on Account of his being Abroad.

AT the Court at *St. James's*, the 23d Day of *December*, 1767,

PRESENT,

The KING's moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

HIS Majeſty in Council was this Day pleaſed to declare the Right Honourable Granville Earl Gower Lord Preſident of His Majeſty's moſt Honourable Privy-Council; and his Lordſhip took his Place at the Board accordingly.

This Day the Right Honourable Thomas Townſhend, junior, and George Onſlow, Eſquires,

Eſquires, were, by His Majeſty's Command, ſworn of His Majeſty's moſt Honourable Privy Council; and took their Places at the Board accordingly.

St. James's, December 15.

AS ſeveral Artificers and Manufacturers, Subjects of Great Britain, have, from Time to Time, gone into Foreign Countries to exerciſe their ſeveral Callings, contrary to the Laws of theſe Kingdoms; The following Abſtracts of Two Acts of Parliament of George the Firſt and George the Second, to prevent ſuch Practices, are publiſhed for the Information of all Perſons who may be ignorant of the Penalties they may incur by Diſobedience to them.—And it will be obſerved, that they extend to thoſe who are any ways concerned or inſtrumental in the Sending or Enticing Artificers or Manufacturers out of theſe Kingdoms, and in the Exportation of the Tools and Inſtruments uſed by them, as well as to the Artificers or Manufacturers themſelves.

Statute 5 George I. *Chap.* 27.

IF any Perſon ſhall contract with, entice, or ſolicit, any Artificer in Wool, Iron, Steel, Braſs, or other Metal, Clock-maker, Watch-maker, or any other Artificer of Great Britain, to go into Foreign Countries out of the King's Dominions, and ſhall be convicted thereof upon Indictment or Information, in any of the Courts at Weſtminſter, or at the Aſſizes or Quarter-Seſſions, he ſhall be fined any Sum not exceeding ONE HUNDRED POUNDS for the firſt Offence, and ſhall be impriſoned Three Months, and till the Fine be paid. And if any Perſon having been once convict, ſhall offend again, he ſhall be fined at the Diſcretion of the Court, and impriſoned Twelve Months, and till the Fine be paid.

If any of the King's Subjects, being ſuch Artificers, ſhall go into any Country out of His Majeſty's Dominions, to exerciſe or teach the ſaid Trades to Foreigners; and if any of the King's Subjects in any ſuch Foreign Country, exerciſing any of the ſaid Trades, ſhall not return into this Realm within Six Months after Warning given by the Ambaſſador, Miniſter or Conſul of Great Britain, in the Country where ſuch Artificers ſhall be, or by any Perſon authorized by ſuch Ambaſſador, &c. or by one of the Secretaries of State, and from thenceforth inhabit within this Realm; ſuch Perſon ſhall be incapable of taking any Legacy, or of being an Executor, or Adminiſtrator, and of taking any Lands, &c. within this Kingdom by Deſcent, Deviſe, or Purchaſe; and ſhall forfeit all Lands, Goods, &c. within this Kingdom to His Majeſty's Uſe, and ſhall be deemed Alien, and out of His Majeſty's Protection.

Upon Complaint made upon Oath before any Juſtice of Peace, that any Perſon is endeavouring to ſeduce any ſuch Artificer, or that any ſuch Artificer hath contracted, or is preparing to go out of His Majeſty's Dominions, for the Purpoſes aforeſaid; ſuch Juſtice may ſend his Warrant to bring the Perſon complained of before him, or before ſome other Juſtice; and if it ſhall appear by the Oath of one Witneſs, or by Confeſſion, that he was guilty of any of the ſaid Offences, ſuch Juſtice may bind him to appear at the next Aſſizes or Quarter Seſſions: And if ſuch Perſon ſhall refuſe to give Security, the Juſtice may commit him to Gaol till the next Aſſizes or Quarter Seſſions, and until he ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And if any ſuch Artificer ſhall be convict upon Indictment of any ſuch Promiſe, Contract, or Preparation to go beyond the Seas for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, he ſhall give ſuch Security to the King, not to depart out of His Majeſty's Dominions, as ſuch Court ſhall think reaſonable, and ſhall be impriſoned till Security given.

If any of the above Offences ſhall be committed in Scotland, the ſame ſhall be proſecuted in the Court of Juſticiary, or the Circuits there.

Statute 23*d.* George IId. *Chap.* 13.

IF any Perſons ſhall contract with, or endeavour to ſeduce any Artificer in Wool, Mohair, Cotton or Silk, or in Iron, Steel, Braſs, or other Metal, or any Clock-maker, Watch-maker, or any other Artificer in any other of the Manufactures of Great-Britain or Ireland, to go out of this Kingdom or Ireland, into any foreign Country, not within the Dominions of the Crown of Great Britain, and ſhall be convicted upon Indictment or Information in the King's Bench at Weſtminſter, or by Indictment at the Aſſizes or General Gaol Delivery for the County, &c. wherein ſuch Offence ſhall be committed in England, or by Indictment in the Court of Juſticiary, or any of the Circuit Courts in Scotland; or by Indictment or Information in the King's Bench at Dublin, if ſuch Offence be committed in Ireland; the Perſon ſo convicted ſhall, for every Artificer contracted with, or ſeduced, forfeit FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS, and ſhall ſuffer Impriſonment in the common Gaol of the Country or Stewartry wherein ſuch Offender ſhall be convicted, for Twelve Calendar Months, and until Forfeiture be paid: And in Caſe of a ſubſequent Offence of the ſame Kind, the Perſons ſo again offending ſhall forfeit, for every Perſon contracted with or ſeduced, ONE THOUSAND POUNDS, and ſhall ſuffer Impriſonment in the common Gaol of the County or Stewartry wherein ſuch Offender ſhall be convicted, for Two Years, and until ſuch Forfeiture be paid.

If any Perſon in Great Britain or Ireland ſhall put on Board any Ship or Boat not bound directly to ſome Port in Great Britain or Ireland, or to ſome other of the Dominions of the Crown of Great Britain, any ſuch Tools or Utenſils as are commonly uſed in, or proper for the Preparing, Working up or Finiſhing of the Woollen or Silk Manufactures, or any Part of ſuch Tools, he ſhall for every Offence forfeit all ſuch Tools, or Parts thereof, put on Board, and TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, to be recovered by Action of Debt, &c. in any Court of Record at Weſtminſter, or in the Court of Seſſion in Scotland, or at any of the Four Courts in Dublin reſpectively, wherein no Eſſoin, &c. ſhall be allowed.

It ſhall be lawful for any Officer of the Cuſtoms in Great Britain, and for any Officer of the Revenue in Ireland, to ſeize and ſecure, in ſome of His Majeſty's Warehouſes, all ſuch Tools or Utenſils prohibited to be exported, as ſuch Officer ſhall find on Board any Veſſel not bound directly to ſome Port in Great Britain or Ireland; or to ſome other of the Dominions of the Crown of Great Britain; and all Tools ſo ſeized ſhall, after Condemnation, be publickly ſold to the beſt Bidder; and one Moiety of the Produce ſhall be to the Uſe of His Majeſty, and the

the other Moiety to the Officer who ſhall ſeize and ſecure the ſame.

If the Captain of any Veſſel in Great Britain or Ireland knowingly permit any of the ſaid Tools, prohibited to be exported, to be put on Board his Veſſel, he ſhall for every ſuch Offence forfeit ONE HUNDRED POUNDS, to be recovered as the Penalties inflicted upon Perſons exporting the Tools; and if the Veſſel belongs to His Majeſty, the Captain ſhall not only forfeit ONE HUNDRED POUNDS, but ſhall alſo forfeit his Employment, and be incapable of any Employment under His Majeſty.

If any Officer of the Cuſtoms in Great Britain, or of the Revenue in Ireland, take, or knowingly ſuffer to be taken, any Entry outward, or ſign any Cocket or Sufferance for the Shipping or Exporting of any of the ſaid Tools, or knowingly ſuffer the ſame to be done, he ſhall forfeit ONE HUNDRED POUNDS, to be recovered as aforeſaid, and alſo forfeit his Office, and be incapable of any Office under His Majeſty.

One Moiety of the Forfeitures ſhall be applied to the Uſe of His Majeſty, and the other Moiety to the Uſe of the Perſon who ſhall ſue for the ſame.

Whitehall, December 22, 1767.

Whereas it hath been humbly repreſented to the King, That, on the Night of the 28th of November laſt, a Saſh Window, in the Houſe of James Poole, Eſq; at Taunton in Somerſetſhire, was forcibly raiſed, and a Quantity of Gunpowder thrown into the Room, at the ſame Inſtant that a ſmall Quantity was ſet Fire to on the Window Sill, with an Intention, as is ſuppoſed, to communicate with the Gunpowder that was thrown into the Room, by which Means conſiderable Damage muſt have been done to the Houſe: His Majeſty, for the diſcovering and bringing to Juſtice the Perſons concerned therein, is hereby pleaſed to promiſe His moſt gracious Pardon to any one of them, (except the Perſon who actually threw the Gunpowder into the ſaid Room, and ſet Fire to ſome on the Window Sill) who ſhall diſcover his or her Accomplice or Accomplices therein, ſo that he, ſhe, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

SHELBURNE.

And, as a farther Encouragement, I the ſaid James Poole do hereby promiſe a Reward of Thirty Pounds *to any Perſon or Perſons making ſuch Diſcovery as aforeſaid (except as before excepted;) to be paid on the Conviction of any one or more of the Offenders.*

Whitehall, December 22, 1767.

Whereas it hath been humbly repreſented to the King, That on the 15th of this Inſtant December, a threatening Note was dropped in the Entrance into the Houſe of Mr. John Cole, of Taunton in Somerſetſhire, containing the Words following:

" Every damned Wiggiſh Scoundrel that does " not Vote for Popham, ſhall have his Throat cut " by Chriſtmas Day next."

His Majeſty, for the better diſcovering and bringing to Juſtice the Perſon or Perſons concerned in Writing the ſaid threatening Note, is hereby pleaſed to promiſe His moſt gracious Pardon to any one of them, (except the Perſon who actually wrote the ſaid threatening Note) who ſhall diſcover his Accomplice or Accomplices therein, ſo that he, ſhe, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

SHELBURNE.

And, as a farther Encouragement, I the ſaid John Cole do hereby promiſe a Reward of Twenty Pounds *to any Perſon or Perſons making ſuch Diſcovery as aforeſaid, (except as before excepted) to be paid on the Conviction of any one or more of the Offenders.*

Victualling-Office, December 18, 1767.

The Commiſſioners for Victualling His Majeſty's Navy do hereby give Notice, that on Monday the 18th of January next, they will be ready to receive Tenders in Writing, (ſealed up) and treat with ſuch Perſons as may be willing to undertake to furniſh Sea Proviſions to ſuch of His Majeſty's Ships and Veſſels as may touch at Appledore Pool in the Port of Barnſtaple, and be in Want thereof: Alſo Freſh Beef on a ſeparate Contract.

The Conditions of the Contracts may be ſeen at the Secretary's Office at the Victualling-Office, London, or by applying to the Collector of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms at Barnſtaple.

All Perſons who may think proper to make Tenders upon the ſaid Occaſion, are deſired to take Notice, that no Regard will be had to any Tender that ſhall not be delivered to the Board before One o'Clock on the ſaid 18th of January next.

A General Quarterly Meeting of the Truſtees for Repairing and Amending the Turnpike Roads in the Counties of Surrey and Suſſex, will be held at the Three Tuns Tavern, St. Margaret's Hill, Southwark, on Thurſday the 7th Day of January 1768, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, to chooſe Truſtees in the Room of thoſe who are dead, removed, or refuſe to act; and upon other Affairs relating to the Truſt.

Roger Peck, *Clerk.*

Note, The Chair will be taken at half paſt Twelve preciſely.

IF Mary Wills, the Widow of Richard Wills, late of the City of Exeter, Butcher, deceaſed, (who was the Daughter of Jonathan Aſhwell, late of Clerkenwell, London, Carpenter, deceaſed) and left Exeter about Five Years ago, and hath not ſince been heard of, will apply to Mr. Gawler, in Eſſex-Street, London, or Mr. Stoodly, Attorney at Law, in Exeter, ſhe will hear of ſomething to her Advantage. If any Perſon can give an Account of her, it will be eſteemed as a Favour to ſend the ſame to Mr. Gawler or Mr. Stoodly.

London, December 22, 1767.

WHereas the Copartnerſhip of Meſſ. Bertram, Rappard, Frederick Rolfes, William Romer, and John Hobman, junior, under the Firm of "Rappard, Hobman, and Company," was diſſolved upon the 27th Day of Auguſt laſt; This is to give Notice, that all the then depending Affairs of ſuch Copartnerſhip were, and ſtill are, to be ſettled by the ſaid Frederick Rolfes and John Hobman, junior, (jointly, but not ſeparately, until Publick Notice to the contrary ſhall be given in this Paper) in a Compting-Houſe in Bearbinder-Lane.

Fred Rolfes.
John Hobman, jun.

Rotherhith, December 21, 1767.

IF any Perſon or Perſons have any Claim or Demand on the Eſtate of Elizabeth Sharpe, late of the Pariſh of Rotherhith in the County of Surry, Widow, deceaſed, are deſired forthwith to ſend an Account thereof to Mr. Shadrach Leſter, Maſt-Maker, in Rotherhith, in order that the ſame may be ſettled and paid, as a Diſtribution of the Deceaſed's Eſtate is going immediately to be made.

TO be ſold, purſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, before Thomas Lane, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, A Freehold Eſtate, conſiſting of divers Meſſuages, Farms, Lands, and Hereditaments, ſituate in the ſeveral Pariſhes of Bretton and Broughton, Biſtre, Hartſheath, Cumay, Llangellan, Kinnerton, and Mold, and the Townſhip of Gwernafield, in the ſeveral Counties of Denbigh and Flint, of the clear yearly Value of 325l. 4s. 3d. or thereabouts, late the Eſtate of Sir George Wynne, Bart. deceaſed. Particulars whereof may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Office in Carey-Street, near Lincoln's Inn, London.

TO be peremptorily ſold, purſuant to an Order of the High Court of Chancery, before William Graves, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Symond's Inn, Chancery-Lane, London, on Wedneſday the 3d Day of February next, between Six and Seven of the Clock in the Afternoon, A large and convenient Dwelling-Houſe, with Stabling, Brewhouſe, and other Out-Offices, a Garden, and two Cloſes of Land adjoining, ſituate at Clapham in the County of Surry, late the Eſtate of John Lewis Loubier, Eſq; deceaſed. Particulars whereof may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Chambers.

TO be peremptorily ſold, purſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, before Edward Montagu, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Symond's Inn, Chancery-Lane, London, on Wedneſday the 3d Day of February next, at Six in the Afternoon, in Five Lots, The ſeveral Freehold and Leaſehold Eſtates at Great and Little Cumberton, Penſham, and Perſhore in the County of Worceſter, of the yearly Value of 296l. 5s. of Dr. George Coningesby, late of Pencomb in the County of Hereford, deceaſed. Particulars whereof may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Chambers.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the next of Kin of William Hicks, late of Hamburgh, Merchant, deceaſed, are peremptorily to come in before Thomas Cuddon, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Symond's Inn in Chancery-Lane, London, and make out their Claims, on or before the 1ſt Day of February next, or in Default thereof they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.